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THANH HOA, NORTH VIETNAM
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1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD SHOWS THE RESULTS OF AN AIR STRIKE ON THANH HOA SAM SITE CO2-2, THE TWENTY-THIRD SITE IDENTIFIED IN NORTH VIETNAM.

2. REMARKS:

THE FIRST SAM SITE IN NORTH VIETNAM (SITE B17-2) WAS OBSERVED ON PHOTOGRAPHY. SAM SITES 2 AND 3 WERE FIRST OBSERVED IN MAY; SITE 4 IN JUNE; SITES 5, 6, AND 7 IN JULY; SITES 8 THROUGH 18 IN AUGUST; SITES 19 THROUGH 22 IN SEPTEMBER; SITES 23 THROUGH 33 IN OCTOBER; AND SITES 34 THROUGH 51 IN NOVEMBER.

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3. COLLATERAL:

STRIKE DATA REPORTS THAT THANH HOA SAM SITE CO2-2 WAS STRUCK ON 07 NOVEMBER 1965 BY FIVE US NAVY AIRCRAFT SUPPORTED BY SIXTEEN ADDITIONAL AIRCRAFT. ORDNANCE EXPENDED CONSISTED OF THIRTY-SIX 250-POUND GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS AND ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO 2.75-INCH ROCKETS.

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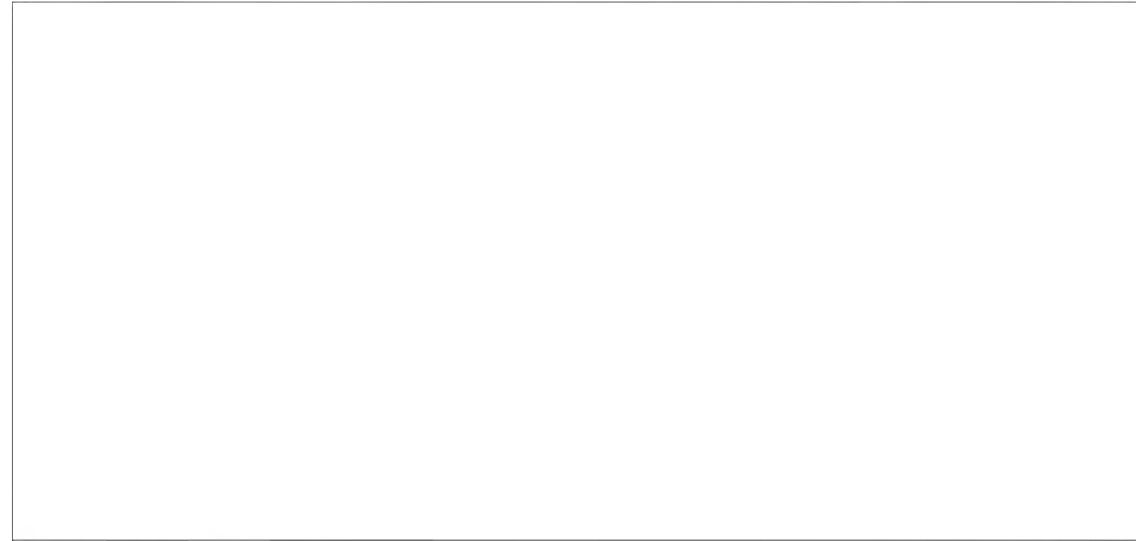
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5. MISSION READOUT:

PHOTOGRAPHY OF OCTOBER 1965 REVEALED THANH HOA SAM SITE CO2-2, LOCATED 21.8 NM NORTH-NORTHEAST OF THANH HOA, TO CONSIST OF SIX REVETTED LAUNCH POSITIONS AND A REVETTED CENTRAL GUIDANCE AREA. NO MISSILES OR MISSILE-ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT WERE OBSERVED.

POST-STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY OF

REVEALS THAT AS THE RESULT OF THE AIR STRIKE TWO LAUNCH POSITIONS APPEAR TO HAVE SUSTAINED DAMAGE: ONE REVETTED LAUNCH POSITION CONTAINS A DESTROYED MISSILE AND MISSILE LAUNCHER, AND A SECOND REVETTED LAUNCH POSITION CONTAINS A DESTROYED PROBABLE MISSILE/LAUNCHER. FOUR OCCUPIED REVETTED LAUNCH POSITIONS APPEAR UNDAMAGED. NINE MISSILE TRANSPORTERS AND ONE POSSIBLE MISSILE TRANSPORTER ARE OBSERVED IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF THE SITE. AN OCCUPIED FOUR-GUN LIGHT AAA SITE IS LOCATED JUST NORTH OF THE SAM SITE.

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THANH HOA 21.8 NM

POSSIBLE
MISSILE/LAUNCHER
DESTROYED



POSSIBLE
MISSILE TRANSPORTER

DAMAGED GUIDANCE
CONTROL AREA

DESTROYED MISSILE

LIGHT AAA OCCUPIED

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MISSILE TRANSPORTER

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